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We care, we share, we learn and achieve

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Dear Parents,

Christmas Parties

I am writing to give you advance notice of this year's Christmas Parties, which will take place on the following dates:

Reception – Monday 17th December

Years 1 and 2 – Tuesday 18th December

Years 3 and 4 – Wednesday 19th December

On the day of their party, the children may come to school dressed in their party clothes (although please ensure that children have appropriate footwear and a warm coat for play times). All the food (nibbles) and drink is supplied by the school, with the support of the PA. Should you have any concerns about allergies, etc., please see your child's class teacher. Father Christmas has informed me that **he will be able** to drop in on the day of the parties and the children are really looking forward to seeing him.

Upper School Church visit

The children in Years 3 and 4 will be visiting St Godwald's Church for a Carol Service on the afternoon of Monday 17th December, starting at approximately 1.30pm. We will be travelling by foot so please ensure the children have warm coats and sensible footwear. We would like to invite the parents of children in Year 4 to this event. Unfortunately, we do not expect there to be room to accommodate the parents of children in Year 3 as well.

Year R - Hedgehogs - Mrs Hodges

I would like to inform parents of children in the Hedgehogs Class in Year R that Mrs Hodges will be leaving us at the end of this term. Mrs Hodges has been at Finstall First for more than 12 years and on behalf of everyone connected with the School, I would like to wish her and her family the very best in the future.

Mrs Shanna Bennett will be returning to Year R after a period of maternity leave on Thursday 8th February and she will be working on Thursdays and Fridays from this date in the Hedgehogs Class. Up until then, an experienced Reception Teacher called Mrs Suzanne Williams will be teaching the Hedgehogs on Thursdays and Fridays. She will be spending some time with the class before the end of this term to get to know the children and to ensure an effective handover of duties.

Should parents have any questions about this or any other matter, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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Children in Need Appeal - 2018

I would like to say a big thank you to the parents and children for supporting this year's "Children in Need" appeal. The children and staff enjoyed a very "Yellow" day and, with your help, we managed to raise £281.69 for this very worthwhile cause. Special thanks should also go to a group of girls in Year 4, who raised £67 towards this amount by making "Pudsey Badges" in their own time and then selling them to staff and children alike.

"Dahlicious" Roald Dahl Day

I would also like to thank all of the children and parents who supported our "Dahlicious" Roald Dahl Day on Friday 26th October. Thanks to your efforts, we raised £83.25 for Roald Dahl's Marvellous Children's Charity.

Breakfast Club

Please find, attached to this e-mail, a booking form for Breakfast Club for the first half of the Spring Term. Please make use of this form should you wish for your child to attend.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Stuart Evans
Head Teacher

